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Entitled: EXPANDABLE WELL SCREEN
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(XX) Enclosed are 42 pages of specification, including claims, 12 sheets of drawings (FIGS. 1A-18), a copy of the declaration filed in the prior application, a Preliminary Amendment and an Information Disclosure Statement.



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- (XX) New formal drawings are enclosed.
- (XX) The prior application is assigned of record to Halliburton Energy Services, Inc.
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